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FM AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3827

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EWWT, UY  
SUBJ: UPDATE ON CHAMPIGNY SAILING SHIP

REF: STATE 104465

1. SINCE SUBMISSION LAST STATUS REPORTS ON SUBJECT (76 MONTEVIDEO 4239 AND 4772), THE VESSEL HAS BEEN MOVED TO THE DOCK AT PAYSANDU AND IS NOW BEING BROKEN UP. THE COMAP (ASTILLEROS PAYSANDU) SHIPYARD HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT IT HAS A CONTRACT FOR THIS WITH "THE VESSEL'S NEW LEGAL OWNERS, THE NAVAL PREFECTURE."

2. EMBASSY RECEIVED FORMAL NOTIFICATION OF THIS ACTION ON MAY 11, IN A LETTER DATED MAY 3 FROM THE NAVAL PREFECT TO THE US CONSUL, AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 16 OF LAW NO. 14,343. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER FOLLOWS:

"OFICIO NO. 141-3-V-977  
E.C. NO. 640788-JEP  
"TO THE CONSUL GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES, RICHARD P. LIVINGSTON. FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND ACTION YOU BELIEVE APPROPRIATE, I HAVE THE PLEASURE TO ADDRESS THE CONSUL INFORMING HIM THAT THE SHIP "FENNIA" WAS DETERMINED TO BE ABANDONED TO THE STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISPOSITIONS OF LAW NO. 14,343/21/III/975, THEREBY LOSING, IN FACT, ITS FLAG (CESANDO DE HECHO SU BANDERA).  
"AT THE SAME TIME I INFORM YOU THAT THIS NATIONAL NAVAL PREFECTURE,  
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REPRESENTING THE STATE FOR THESE EFFECTS, HAS ORDERED THE BREAKING UP OF THE SAID VESSEL.  
"WITH HIGH CONSIDERATION, NATIONAL NAVAL PREFECT  
(S) CAPTAIN JORGE BRUSSONE ORIBE."

3. COMMENT: COPY OF FORMAL NOTIFICATION WILL BE SENT TO ARA/ECA AND L/ARA. EMBASSY MADE EVERY

CONCEIVABLE EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT THE US OWNER OF THE VESSEL  
BE KEPT INFORMED OF THE PROBLEM AND HAS CONTINUOUSLY URGED  
THAT HE APPOINT LOCAL REPRESENTATION SINCE HIS JULY 22, 1975,  
LETTER TO THE NALAL PREFECT STATING HIS INTENTION OF DOING THAT.  
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